1	2	3
26.	Sikkim	324
27.	Tamil Nadu	27785
28.	Tripura	1727
29.	Uttar pradesh	36723
30	West Bengal	36374
31.	Chhattisgarh	3945
32.	Jharkhand	237
33.	Uttaranchal	464
34.	Lakshadweep	45
35.	Daman and Diu	44
GRAND TOTAL:		5,42,566

Production of pulses

†1194. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of pulses in the country, pulse-wise;

(b) to what extent this production, is less than the consumption of pulses in the country; and

(c) whether Government are considering any action plan to encourage production of pulses in order to bridge this gap?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) The following table shows pulse-wise production in the country for the year 2006-07 (as per 2nd advance estimates released on 05.02.2007).

Crop	Production (Million Tonnes)
fur Gram	2.64
Urad	6.16
Moong	1.35
	1.11
Total Pulses	14.52

†Originai notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Based on the Demand Projections for the Tenth Five Year Plan prepared by a working groups of the Planning Commission using normative approach, total consumption of pulses during the year 2006-07 is likely to be 17.71 million tonnes.

(c) A Centrally Sponsored Integrated Scheme on Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm and Maize is under implementation with effect from 01.04.2004 for increasing production and productivity of pulses in 14 States of the Country. Under the scheme financial assistance is provided for purchase of breeder seeds, production of foundation seeds, distribution of seed minikits, infrastructure development, block demonstrations, on improved technology, integrated pest management, weedicides, distribution of sprinkler sets, farmers training for increasing production and productivity of pulses.

IOTC meetings

1195. SHRI V.HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) when the next meeting of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission is scheduled where India has to be represented;

(b) the details of any agenda for discussion from the Indian side;

(c) what would be the level of representation at the scheduled meeting;

(d) whether Government would upgrade the usual level of representation to attend IOTC mettings; and

(e) the stpes proposed to properly project demands of Indian industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) and (b) The next meeting of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) is scheduled to be held during the middle of May, 2007 in Mauritius. There is no separate agenda proposed from the Indian side for this meeting.

(c) and (d) Representation from Government for the IOTC meetings at appropriate levels is decided from time to time depending upon the nature of the issues to be discussed.